

Wise Wall Street Gamblers. Smoking and Thinking. A 16-Pound Tooth. The President's Salary.

By ARTHUR BRISBANE. (Copyright, 1920.)

Gamblers in Wall Street are betting 6 to 5 that Hiram Johnson will be nominated. Many Wall Street big men don't want Johnson, don't like his promise to jail a big profiteer as gladly as a small thief.

Wall Street men that do election gambling bet on judgment, not on desire. Their judgment is that the people are behind Johnson in numbers that will make it impossible for the "interests" to beat him. These gamblers are probably right. Johnson has right and might on his side. It will take hard fighting to get that nomination away from him.

Mr. Havemeyer, old and indignant, resigned from his local chamber of commerce because the men smoked while they talked. He was RIGHT and WRONG. When men want to think, they should not smoke. You SMOKE with your chin in the air, you THINK with your chin down.

When men really DO think, they cannot smoke. Get a man really interested in courtship, money-making, or abstract speculation, and his cigar gets out. Men often do not want to think; it is a faculty recently acquired, and tiresome. A dog can walk on his hind legs, but doesn't like to keep it up too long. So it is with men and thinking.

Of all ways to stop thinking, tobacco is the best, the least harmful; in the adult, perhaps, not harmful at all. We cannot be perfect. Smoking is the most desirable imperfection.

Apponyi, of Austria, pitying himself, says: "My life is still happy, though I am obliged to support my family by the sale of the family fables."

All around him miserable creatures, thanks to him, his emperor, and his class, are trying to keep life in their bodies by selling their children's shoes and their own clothes.

It takes a long time to teach some men that God did not make them to ride on the backs of the others.

The mammoth was a big elephant; you have seen his skeleton in museums and pictures of him with long hair and tusks, as he was discovered thousands of years after his death, preserved in Siberian ice.

In France, near Lyons, a fossil elephant has been found much bigger than the mammoth.

The skeleton weighs four thousand pounds. One single tooth weighs sixteen pounds, and this ancient elephant's tusks weighed four hundred pounds, were eight feet long, twenty inches in circumference.

When it lived, undoubtedly it despised smaller creatures. It hadn't the faintest doubt that as long as the world lasted its mammoth descendants would also last, plunging through forests, rolling in soft mud, despising all things smaller. But it is gone, forgotten, and smaller things are running the earth.

One of these days men will dig up, in books, remains of other gigantic creatures, financial mammoths, that once (for instance, in 1920) thought that they would rule the world and all smaller things forever.

Ambition out-jumps itself, elephants and finance outgrow themselves. Average size wins.

In Congress a bill is introduced to reduce the President's salary from \$75,000 to \$50,000 a year.

You might forbid the President to use warships as private yachts, and make him live on his salary.

But a President worth anything is worth \$75,000 a year. The French pay their President more than \$300,000 a year and give him a fine palace besides.

If the people do not pay well those whom they hire, there are others, near the stock exchange, willing to pay them. And if a Presidential candidate before he is nominated is worth two millions of dollars hard cash a year, a dozen millionaires would pay him a real President be worth to a hundred million Americans?

Merchants in New York announce a "five million dollars fund to fight unions." The words "to fight unions" are in italics. They mean millions of men, intelligent, skillful, doing work without which the nation would drift into chaos and ruin.

When you say "merchants and manufacturers," you mean a group of men whose energy, superior intelligence and management are necessary to the country's welfare and prosperity, on the social and industrial basis.

If union workmen announced that they had raised a fund of five million dollars "to fight merchants and manufacturers" they would be called anarchists.

The left hand should not fight the right hand. Both should fight together for the whole body. This is no time for prosperous men, whose business would be ruined overnight without the help of labor, to announce deliberately an anti-labor fight. You may discourage labor and business, you will not "destroy unions."

The King of England owns many palaces. In some of them live poor relations, a majority with German names.

Other poor royal relations are (Continued on Page 3, Column 5.)

WEATHER  
Main this afternoon and tonight; tomorrow fair with rising temperature. Temperature at 5 a. m., 56 degrees.

District Appropriation Bill, Containing 60-40 Financial Plan, Signed By President

PRESIDENT DENOUNCES CONGRESS FOR INACTIVITY

Johnson, "Tickled To Death" Over Outlook, Confident of Winning Nomination

10-YEAR FIGHT WON BY HOUSE

End of 50-50 System Here Victory for Lower Branch of Congress.

\$20,500,000 APPROPRIATED

Measure Putting Bulk of Civic Upkeep on Citizens Becomes Law.

President Wilson this morning signed the District of Columbia appropriation bill, which includes the provision changing the fiscal plan 50-50 to 60-40 and carrying \$20,500,000.

The bill was signed at 11:30 o'clock.

Under the new provision the revenues for the support of the District government will be payable 60 per cent out of the funds raised by District taxation, and 40 per cent out of the Federal treasury.

The passage of the bill ended a deadlock of several weeks between the House and Senate conferees and marks a victory for the House, which has attempted the passage of a bill abolishing the half and half plan for the last ten years.

CAPTAIN SHOTS SLAYER.

Captain Stout of the American steam yacht Dolphin, shot and fatally wounded Claude Moore, a seaman, at Cayman, Cuba, May 25, the State Department was advised today. Stout declared he shot in self-defense.

V. BLASCO IBANEZ Tells What's Wrong With Mexico

Gloom in the Capital City Tells Story of the Country's Suffering. Gayety Ended With Diaz—The Zapatistas Have Been Maligned.

By VICENTE BLASCO IBANEZ, Author of "The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse." (Copyrighted by the Foreign Press Service.)

III. MEXICO'S SORROW.

The Mexican capital is a city of gloom.

In daytime, under a dazzling sun and a sky of deep blue, it has movement and animation. Besides, pretty women, with great, deep eyes and golden complexions, are going about the streets. But when the night shuts down Mexico City resumes its mood of somber melancholy.

This quality of sadness and loneliness is only intensified by the brilliant lighting of the streets. Some ancient towns seem to shake off their ancient gloom when, after sunset, they are shrouded in romantic semi-darkness. But Mexico is one of the best lighted cities in the world. New York may surpass it in its Great White Way, with its electrical advertisements, but the majority of New York streets are pitch-dark as compared with those of the Mexican capital.

Electricity costs very little there. It comes from a waterfall of enormous horsepower that lights all the cities of the Mexican plateau and drives the machinery in the factories and mines. That is why the street lighting of Mexico City is the best in the world. Every twenty-five feet there is an iron column with five large globes. The streets blaze like a conflagration. The lamps seem to meet a few yards ahead of you, shutting you in between two narrowing walls of fire.

Solitude Beneath Splendor. And underneath all this splendor, as intense as the brightness of noon-time—solitude, loneliness, emptiness, made more acutely noticeable by the occasional appearance of some passer-by. In this city of brightness the after-dinner problem of anyone unable to go to a theater is something maddening. "What can I do? Where can I go?"

I used to go for a walk every night along the principal avenue of the city, wincing under the blinding glare. Before long I came to know by sight all my habitual companions on this promenade, much as you come to know by sight the people who eat regularly in your restaurant or stop at your hotel.

One of them was a dog. It was the same dog every night, and after several meetings I felt like wishing him good evening.

VILLA TO DESTROY MINE UNLESS HE GETS \$50,000

Pancho Villa has threatened the destruction of the Alvarado Mining Company's plant near Parral, unless he is given \$50,000 by June 20, according to the statement of Leslie Webb, an American employee of the mining company, who talked with Villa last week, the American consul at Chihuahua reported to the State Department today.

SHIP SACRIFICE UP TO WILSON

Jones Bill, Jammed Through Both Houses, Goes to President Today.

The Jones bill, providing for the surrender of the American merchant marine, which was jammed through both houses last night, was sent to the White House today for the President's signature.

As finally passed, the measure would allow the transfer of the Government fleet to the Shipping Board and foreign shipping interests. Sales may be made on the installment basis, payment to be made over a period of fifteen years if the vessels are (Continued on Page 3, Column 3.)

WILL RESUME FUNDS PROBE

Senate Investigators of Campaign Expenses Agree to Continue on July 9.

TO HEAR MORE WITNESSES

More Candidates Than Republicans in Texas, Says Col. E. H. R. Green.

By J. BART CAMPBELL, International News Service.

The Senate investigation of Presidential campaign expenditures and contributions will be continued after the San Francisco and Chicago conventions, Senator Kenyon, Republican, of Iowa, announced today.

To Resume on July 9.

As chairman of the sub-committee of the Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections conducting the investigation, Kenyon said the probe probably would be resumed on July 9 or 10, or "soon after the Democratic convention is over."

"There are a number of witnesses still to be heard who cannot appear before the conventions are held," Kenyon said.

Senator Pomeroy, Democrat, Ohio, said he had no objection to the committee resuming on July 9 or 10, although he would be unable to be present, as he expected to remain in the West for several weeks after the San Francisco convention.

It was finally agreed to adjourn until July 9.

Col. E. H. R. Green Unpledged.

Col. E. H. R. Green, millionaire son of the late Hetty Green, who before her death was the "world's wealthiest woman," was the only witness heard today. He was on the stand only a few minutes.

Green entered a vigorous denial of the report he had financed Gen. Leonard Wood's campaign in Texas. As a delegate elected from the State to the Chicago convention, Green said he was "unpledged to any candidate," and was "certainly not pledged to vote for Wood."

The trouble with us Republicans down in Texas is, Texas has more candidates and prospective postmasters than she has Republicans," Colonel Green remarked amid laughter.

Senator Kenyon read a telegram from William H. Crocker, of San Francisco, stating "I have no knowledge of any campaign expenditures, nor have I ever had any books or documents in connection with the Johnson campaign in California or elsewhere."

HUSBAND VANISHES AS BRIDE DROWNS

Mystery Shrouds Identity of Man Saved From Death in Susquehanna River.

PORT DEPOSIT, Md., June 5.—Officers of the Pennsylvania State constabulary said today that the girl drowned Thursday at Culley's Falls, above here, was a bride of a few days, whose maiden name was Sarah Allen. They have not established definitely the name of her husband. The latter is believed to be the man who was with her in a skiff which overturned in the treacherous water of the falls.

The feature of the case that is puzzling the officials is the disappearance of the man. He has vanished since he was rescued from the boat by Harry Warner, a fisherman.

Suspicion was directed to the missing man, as it was thought possible that he took the small craft into the rapids with the deliberate intention of drowning the girl. Testimony of Warner and Norman Kauffman, another fisherman who witnessed the accident, seem to have disposed of this theory, however. Both say the overturning of the skiff was accidental.

The other theory is that the man feared he might be held responsible for the girl's death and decamped. This is the theory the officers are now inclined to accept.

The girl's home, the officers have found, was in Bainbridge, Pa. She went there to live a few days ago with her husband. They arrived in a rowboat. It is said, and the husband found employment at the Bainbridge Quarry Company plant. Residents of Bainbridge and vicinity say the prevalent opinion is that neither of the pair were of sound mind.

Chicago Delegates Bewildered By Lack Of Convention Leader

Any of Eight Leading Candidates Conceded Chance to Win Nomination.

CHICAGO, June 5.—A Wood-Lowden contest in the Seventh Congressional district of Georgia was decided by the national committee today in favor of the Wood delegate.

The committee voted unanimously to seat as delegate D. C. Cole, of Marietta, A. C. Green was seated as alternate. They are pledged to General Wood.

By MARLEN E. PEW, International News Service.

CHICAGO, June 5.—These were the unprecedented outstanding features of the Republican situation today on the eve of convention week:

From the practical political standpoint the convention is leaderless and the incoming delegates show general symptoms of bewilderment.

Lowden and Wood Weaker.

Anyone of the eight prominently mentioned Presidential candidates is now an actual possibility, although the week's developments have badly shuffled the cards of Lowden and Wood.

A dark horse is not improbable. Probably not more than a third of the total number of delegates of 894 were actually under pledge and many of these pledges are wobbly.

The prevailing confusion is a broth brewed of these elements: the primary system, the death of Col. Theodore Roosevelt, Senator Penrose's illness, the strange mix-up of the Southern delegates who have been "delivered" at the physiological moment of late years by Frank Hitchcock, party disputes concerning the form of the treaty of peace and preeminently the failure of any strong hand to assert general party control.

Machine Leaders Fuzzed.

How to hold and swing this amazingly confused mass is the puzzle of machine leaders who never before have participated in a Republican convention which did not respond to convention week of one of more dominating practical leaders. The best they can predict now is that the convention will take form, that leadership will assert itself, and that the prevailing confusion will consolidate upon the shoulders of a man who will satisfy.

The New York delegation is a case in point, although it exaggerates the situation. It numbers eighty-eight. They will arrive tomorrow. They are unpledged, except as they are expected to yield the usual "favorite son" honors on the first ballot.

Monday to canvass the candidates. But there is no pronounced leader, and after President Nicholas Murray Butler, of Columbia University, has been paid his compliment, the maelstrom of the delegates is drifting with the prevailing political winds.

John W. Dwight, a district delegate from New York, who has been attending political conventions since 1880, said today:

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LINER ABLAZE OFF NEW YORK COAST

Fuel Pipe Bursts on Bergensfjord 150 Miles From New York.

NEW YORK, June 5.—The steamship Bergensfjord, of the Norwegian-American line, which sailed from this port yesterday with 1,341 passengers aboard, caught fire at sea early today.

First reports said the ship was putting back to port, but later advice said the fire had been placed under control and the damage was not sufficient to prevent the vessel from continuing her voyage.

The fire broke out in the after stoke hold and was caused by a bursting fuel oil pipe, wireless reports said.

The Bergensfjord had reached a point 150 miles east of Fire Island when the fire started.

Wireless calls for aid were sent broadcast to all vessels by Captain Ole Bull, and the Red Star liner Lapland was reported to be standing by.

An early wireless from the vessel said that one boiler had been put out of commission.

Among the passengers aboard are Bishop Anton Bast, Rear Admiral David Kildner, U. S. N., and Consul Bent Falkenberg, of Chicago.

Penrose, Too Ill to Lie In Bed, Propped in Chair; Knox Won't Attend Either

PHILADELPHIA, June 5.—United States Senator Boies Penrose, propped up in a chair, at his Philadelphia residence—his ailment is of such peculiar nature he is unable to lie in bed—is making a frantic endeavor to straighten out the obvious confusion which exists in Chicago today. His efforts are being made by long-distance telephone.

Despite the persistent assertions of Leighton C. Taylor, secretary to Penrose, that the latter will attend the Chicago convention, the old guard leader's physical condition is such that close friends cannot escape the conviction that the trip is utterly impossible.

Senator Penrose will not go to Chicago. It was stated authoritatively here today by several of his Republican colleagues who have his close touch with his Philadelphia residence during the past twenty-four hours.

Neither will Senator Knox, Senator Penrose's Pennsylvania colleague, go to Chicago. He is emphatically denied that Knox is "sinking in his tent" because the seventy-six members of the Pennsylvania delegation have pledged themselves to Governor Sprout of that State.

It is stated Knox has several "important legal matters" commanding his immediate attention. His appearance is court at Philadelphia or Pittsburgh next week is imperative, it is explained.

"Senator Penrose is a dying man" today, said a Republican leader of the Senate, who is an intimate associate, and who visited the Pennsylvania Senator this week.

Senator Knox declared this afternoon that "business reasons" probably would keep him from going to Chicago, but if he could go, he would vote for Governor Sprout of Pennsylvania.

Others Avoided Issue.

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Senator Sees Public With Him On Doctrine of Avoiding Foreign Entanglements.

CHICAGO, June 5.—"I am tickled to death with the situation and have a feeling of confidence that makes the other thing delightful to me."

This was the statement today of Hiram Johnson after a careful review of his nomination chances in the center of pre-convention activity.

Sees Victory Ahead.

Johnson's glowing humor and his effulgent smile were evidence that he was satisfied he was on a fair way to win the nomination.

Discussing the situation with the newspaper correspondents, Johnson talked frankly and freely in stating his belief that the people are responding to his preaching of the doctrine of avoiding foreign entanglements, which has been the chief note in his campaign. On this point he said:

"It is difficult without talking in a personal strain to express my views, but just as we have felt coming across the continent, I feel the same response here—not to the individual, but there is a response to the thing that I have been preaching for a year in the country, and that response is overwhelming."

"When I started out following the President it was rather hard sailing, but I have been talking ever since. That is not so now at all. Wherever you go, it doesn't make any difference whether it is the most sparsely settled country, or the most densely populated, or the most advanced city, and present your position of what this administration has endeavored to do in our international relations, there is this overwhelming response that will make itself felt in this election beyond a doubt."

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WILSON FLAYS BOTH HOUSES

Scores Failure to Enact Laws Hitting H. C. L. and Revising Taxes.

PUBLIC WELFARE IGNORED

Tells R. R. Labor Men "No 'Lofty Purpose' Marked Work at Capitol."

President Wilson today denounced the Congress for its failure to enact constructive legislation, in a telegram addressed to the heads of the railroad labor organization.

The President scored Congress for its failure to "deal directly with the cost of living" and for its failure to "revise the tax laws, which in their present form are indirectly responsible in part for the high cost of living."

Charges "Political Expediency."

"It is perfectly evident to all that the dominating motive which has actuated this Congress is political expediency," the President declared.

The President's telegram was in reply to one he received yesterday from the heads of the seventeen railroad labor organizations protesting against the adjournment of Congress when no constructive legislation had been enacted to prevent profiteering or to reduce the high cost of living.

The President's telegram follows: "I received your telegram of June 3. You call my attention to matters that I presented to the present Congress in a special message delivered at a joint session of the two houses on August 8, 1919."

In nine months this Congress has, however, taken no important remedial action with respect to the problem of the cost of living on the lines indicated in that address or on any other lines.

"Not only has the present Congress failed to deal directly with the cost of living, but it has failed even to give serious consideration to the urgent appeal repeated by me and by the Secretaries of the Treasury to revise the tax laws, which in their present form are indirectly responsible in part for the high cost of living."

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WOODROW WILSON. Railroad Workers' Telegram. The text of the railroad workers' telegram to the President follows:

As the responsible heads of railroad labor organizations, representing more than two million workers, we protest most earnestly and most emphatically against the proposed adjournment of Congress next Saturday, in accordance with the plan reported in the public press.

We call attention to the fact that despite the revelations as to the profiteering scandal, Congress has done nothing to check the evil or to punish the evildoers that the cost of living continues to rise without a single remedial measure having been passed, and that there has not been even serious consideration of constructive legislation dealing with the serious problem of industrial unrest.

In the circumstances, it appears to us incredible that the responsible leaders of the Government at Washington can assent to this adjournment agreement to continuation of a do-nothing policy which means that the grave economic (Continued on Page 2, Column 5.)